

FISCAL NOTE

HB 979 - SB 1575

March 17, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires, instead of permits, the court to dismiss the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility against a defendant and orders the record of such offense expunged, if the court is satisfied that a defendant's compliance with the financial responsibility law was in effect at the time of violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues – Not Significant
Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- A slight decrease in the number of annual convictions for this offense. Most are currently dismissed when proof of financial responsibility is shown.
- A not significant decrease in state revenues and expenditures to the extent that persons currently convicted of this offense even after showing proof of financial responsibility will not be convicted under the provisions of this bill and therefore will not have to apply and pay fees to have their license reinstated.
- A not significant increase in local government expenditures to expunge the records.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director